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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Klaus Dietrich et al;

GROUP ART UNIT: 3621

SERIAL NO.:

09/768,699

EXAMINER: John M. Winter

FILED:

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CONFIRMATION NO.: 3621

TITLE:

**"POSTAGE METER MACHINE AND SECURITY MODULE THEREFOR"
"RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 20, 2004 OFFICE ACTION"**

Commissioner for Patents

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
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TOTAL CLAIMS	*9	MINUS	**20	X	() X 9.00 () X 18.00	00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	*2	MINUS	3	X	() X 43.00 () X 86.00		
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES () NO	() \$145.00 () \$290.00 ONE TIME		
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$00	

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 - ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached.
 - ☐ A check for \$_____ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached
 - ☐ A check for \$_____ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.
 - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
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